DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY

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As a below named inventor, We hereby declare that:

Our residences, post office addresses and citizenships are as stated below next to our names.

We believe we are the original, first and joint inventors of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled SYNTHESIS OF SOLUBLE FUNCTIONALIZED LITHIUM INITIATORS the specification of which is attached hereto.

We hereby state that we have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

We acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R.	
§1.56. We hereby claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C. §119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed	
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Application Serial No.) We hereby claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C. §1 international application designating the United States, lichaims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United by the first paragraph of 35 U.S.C. §112. We according to the state of the prior United by the first paragraph of 35 U.S.C. §112. We according to the prior United States of the paragraph of 35 U.S.C. §112. We according to the prior United States of the paragraph of 35 U.S.C. §112. We according to the prior United States of the United	(Filing Date) 20 of any United States application(s) or §365 of any PCT sted below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the ited States or PCT International application in the manner cknowledge the duty to disclose information which is nich became available between the filing date of the prior
Application Serial No.) (Filing Date	(Status)(patented, pending, abandoned)
As named inventors, We hereby appoint the following attorneys and/or agents to prosecute this application and transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith. Bruce J. Hendricks Registration No. 30,262 Alvin T. Rockhill Registration No. 30,417 James A. Rozmajzl Registration No. 24,432 Henry C. Young Registration No. 22,329 We hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statement may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon. Full name of joint and first named inventor (given name, family name): Adel Farhan Halasa Inventor's signature: Residence: Bath, Ohio 44333 Citizen of: U.S.A. Post Office Address: 5040 Everett Road, Bath, Ohio 44333	
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